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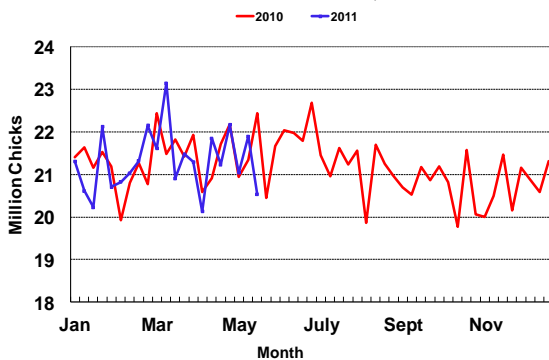
Arkansas Chick Placements Down 9 Percent from Last Year

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas were 20.5 million during the week ending May 21, 2011. Placements were down 9 percent from the comparable week in 2010 and down 6 percent from the previous week.

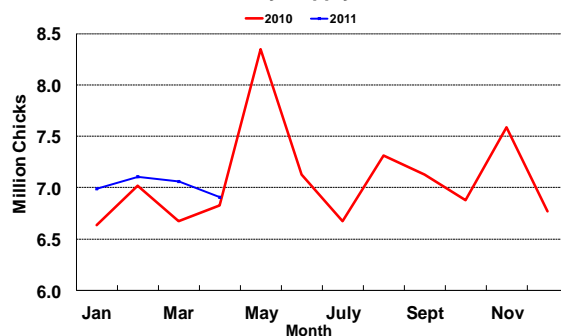
Arkansas hatcheries set 23.5 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending May 21, 2011, down 3 percent from the same period last year but up slightly from the previous week.

Leading breeders in the **United States** placed 6.9 million **broiler-type pullet chicks** for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during April 2011, up 1 percent from April 2010.

Chicks Placed In Arkansas, 2010-2011



U. S. Broiler-Type Pullet Chicks Placed For Domestic Hatchery Supply Flocks, 2010-2011



Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Week, April 23, 2011 - May 21, 2011

State	Eggs Set					Chicks Placed				
	Week Ending					Week Ending				
	23-Apr	30-Apr	7-May	14-May	21-May	23-Apr	30-Apr	7-May	14-May	21-May
Alabama	29,958	29,727	29,861	29,324	29,259	21,592	20,957	20,915	21,208	20,627
Arkansas	23,681	23,275	23,583	23,501	23,508	21,231	22,162	21,042	21,894	20,531
Delaware	3,850	3,811	3,860	3,740	3,941	4,614	4,633	5,492	5,190	4,103
Florida	1,221	1,360	1,360	1,358	1,358	1,252	1,317	1,239	1,182	1,216
Georgia	33,825	33,368	33,663	33,479	34,021	28,182	28,637	28,557	28,936	29,624
Kentucky	7,966	7,465	8,011	7,934	7,611	6,771	6,847	6,094	6,405	6,322
Louisiana	3,334	3,288	3,394	3,319	3,258	2,921	3,029	3,031	2,940	2,952
Maryland	7,733	7,738	7,725	7,680	7,692	6,355	6,403	6,266	5,844	7,248
Mississippi	19,384	19,168	19,019	19,273	19,099	16,696	16,666	16,490	16,523	16,196
N. Carolina	20,214	20,441	20,284	20,301	20,156	16,215	16,915	16,731	16,285	16,088
Oklahoma	7,182	7,033	7,073	7,073	7,113	3,740	4,530	3,730	4,460	5,642
Pennsylvania	4,081	4,028	4,128	4,199	4,038	2,790	2,987	3,004	3,212	3,269
S. Carolina	5,478	5,271	5,422	5,345	5,394	4,480	3,957	4,301	4,556	4,360
Texas	15,658	15,527	15,355	15,418	15,340	13,316	13,247	13,223	13,373	13,166
Virginia	6,232	6,685	6,251	6,289	6,296	5,112	4,906	4,449	4,976	5,283
CA,MO,TN & WV	19,721	19,622	19,235	19,160	18,931	17,334	16,047	18,565	17,578	16,666
19 State Total	209,518	207,807	208,224	207,393	207,015	172,601	173,240	173,129	174,562	173,293
Prev. Year Total	207,422	207,319	209,188	210,586	211,658	169,643	172,617	171,075	171,930	171,002
% of Prev. Year	101	100	100	98	98	102	100	101	102	101

Revisions made to the previous five-week's data during the current week are published in this report.

Broiler-Type Eggs Set Down 2 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19 State weekly program set 207 million eggs in incubators during the week ending May 21, 2011. This was down 2 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 84 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Broiler-Type Chicks Placed Up 1 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19 State weekly program placed 173 million chicks for meat production during the week ending May 21, 2011. Placements were up 1 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 2, 2011 through May 21, 2011 were 3.41 billion, up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.